

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The regular meeting was held on August 16, 2018 in Room 145 at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.
Skype location 102-40 Ditmars Blvd. NY, NY 11369 was not used

Members Present:

Robert Tabor, President
Kevin Lennebacker, Vice President
April Aramini
April Erkson
Amy Garretson
Gregory Lowry

Members Absent:

Jeffrey Wait - work related

Others Present

TheriJo Climenhaga, Superintendent of Schools
Nicole Knapp, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director
Denise Wist, School Business Official

Laura Carson, District Clerk

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Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Tabor.

President Tabor led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Keane spoke about wrapping up summer school, mailing grades 7-12 students their schedules, Chromebook Night and Conference Day prep. Mrs. Knapp spoke about completing the many hiring needs and the Professional Development that is scheduled for next week. Mrs. Wist spoke about the audits being completed, working on the ST3 and the Audit Committee meeting on Oct. 18th. Discussion was held in regards to the mentor/mentee plan.

Additions to the Agenda – RESOLUTIONS 27-8-2018, RESOLUTION 28-8-2018 and 30-8-2018

Correspondence Received – President Tabor spoke about a thank you notes that were received from a students and an employment paper for executive session.

Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the mentoring plan which had to be updated because of the update with the standards, she had a discussion with the Head Start folks with regards to transporting four year olds, they need to process paperwork on their end in order to make it happen. Mrs. Climenhaga spoke about tabletop drills needing to occur, attending a mental health workshop and the excellent resources that are available, there is a new camera system up and running in the main office, the high school gym floor is finished, College for Every Student (CFES) named CV-S as a “School of Distinction”, and she reviewed Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) information. Superintendent Climenhaga also spoke about the land lease/solar project and discussion was held, and discussion was held regarding spring sports combining with Sharon Springs and winter sports fees/costs were reviewed. Mrs. Climenhaga asked for direction regarding the posting of contracts on the school website. Mrs. Climenhaga then spoke about the book “Building Resilience in Students Impacted by Adverse Childhood Experiences” and the professional development that will occur along with one of the authors. The Board Goals were discussed and it was decided to keep working forward from the 2017-2018 goals. Mrs. Climenhaga also reviewed the professional development calendar. Mrs. Erkson also stated that she had heard from a parent regarding concerns with a teacher.

Board of Education Committee Reports – K. Lennebacker would like to see the Policy and Building Committees meet.

President Tabor recognized the visitors – No one spoke.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by G. Lowry to enter into Executive Session to discuss the matters leading to the employment of particular individuals(s). Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:57 PM.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by A. Aramini to come out of Executive Session at 8:08 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by G. Lowry.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-8-2018 through RESOLUTION 24-8-2018. Request made by R. Tabor to pull RESOLUTION 8-8-2018 to new business.

RESOLUTION 1-8-2018

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 12, 2018

RESOLUTION 2-8-2018

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER’S AND FINANCIAL REPORTS AND CLAIMS AUDITOR’S REPORT– July 2018

RESOLUTION 3-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the tax levy in the amount of \$5,253,610 and review the equalized tax rates as per Attachment III C.

RESOLUTION 4-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve the Space Usage Agreement with Opportunities For Otsego, Inc./Head Start as per ATTACHMENT III D.

RESOLUTION 5-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the 2018-2019 Tutorial Contract with Four Winds Saratoga as per Attachment III E.

RESOLUTION 6-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the Mentor Program Plan as per Attachment III F.

RESOLUTION 7-8-2018

Where it has been determined that unsafe conditions exist on the Cherry Valley-Springfield School sports fields, the school board has determined it to be prudent to apply a selective broadleaf herbicide to reduce weed population on the sports fields. the unevenness of the various weeds constitutes a safety hazard, as the uneven surface can potentially cause injuries by twisting ankles and other joints.

Furthermore, the relatively large surface area of some weeds create slippery surface conditions, creating additional safety hazards for players and other users. To reduce future applications of weed control products the board will make the following recommendations:

1. Routine fertilizations are to be made, which will help maintain turf vigor and density, which will reduce invasive broadleaf weeds.
2. Other cultural practices including mowing, irrigation, and aerations following standard horticultural practices will be followed to promote a dense turf stand and minimize invasive weeds and other pests.
3. Frequent, regular over seedings will be done when seasonally appropriate to minimize wear and bear areas.
4. Any materials used for weed control will be “Caution” label only, the low risk category as defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.EPA).
5. Any pest control will be made in accordance with all other NYSDEC regulations, and done at the time when there are no scheduled activities taking place on the treated fields. The school board wishes to have these products applied as soon as practicable when weather conditions are suitable to insure the best results, and return the fields to use in time for fall sports season.

RESOLUTION 9-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the Combining Contract between the Cooperstown Central School District and the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, for Varsity and Modified Cross Country athletic competition during the 2018-2019 season.

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RESOLUTION 10-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District hereby abolishes one Guidance/CSE Office Support Position, effective August 16, 2018. The Superintendent is directed to notify the affected staff members of this action.

RESOLUTION 11-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District hereby creates one(1) Keyboard Specialist position, effective August 17, 2018.

RESOLUTION 12-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Diane Kroon as a Teacher's Aide effective August 30, 2018.

RESOLUTION 13-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of September Ampsacher as a Teacher's Aide effective August 30, 2018.

RESOLUTION 14-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Diane Kroon as a Licensed Teaching Assistant for a probationary period effective August 30, 2018 through August 29, 2022.

RESOLUTION 15-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint September Ampsacher as a Licensed Teaching Assistant for a probationary period effective August 30, 2018 through August 29, 2022.

RESOLUTION 16-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Stephanie Weaver to a position as a Teacher's Aide for a probationary period effective August 30, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION 17-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby provisionally appoint Shannon Rockwell to a position as a Secretary I effective August 9, 2018.

RESOLUTION 18-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Chenya D'Arcangelis as a long term substitute in the position of vocal music, pending her certification as a Music Teacher. Ms. D'Arcangelis's appointment will be effective August 30, 2018 and continue for a period not to exceed 90 instructional days, unless sooner terminated by the Board. Provided Ms. D'Arcangelis obtains certification in the area of Music during this time period, the Board shall reappoint Ms. D'Arcangelis to a probationary position in the Music tenure area. No term of employment is conferred by this resolution, unless and until a probationary appointment is subsequently granted by the Board of Education.

RESOLUTION 19-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the unpaid Family Medical Leave for Kylee Horender effective August 30, 2018, through November 16, 2018.

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RESOLUTION 20-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the following mentee/mentor pairings for the 2018-2019 school year:

Tristan Davis Fralick - Josh Blair (Semester I only)	
Jessika Bartlett - Erin Seales	Rebecca Sniffen - Jen Hanson
Jessica Chapman - Kathleen Urban	Crystal Pierce - Amanda Sikkema
Chenya D'Arcangelis - Kelly Oram	Diane Kroon - Vanessa McCord

RESOLUTION 21-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as a Support Staff Substitute for the 2018-2019 school year:

Timothy Fish Springfield Center

RESOLUTION 22-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as an Instructional Substitute for the 2018-2019 school year:

Christopher Knauth Schenevus

RESOLUTION 23-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following Extracurricular assignments for the 2018-2019 school year:

Chaperone for Dances, Basketball Games and Drama Performances - Donna Ahrens

RESOLUTION 24-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the following as volunteers for the 2018-2019 school year:

Laura Freer TheriJo Climenhaga Larry Kroon Kelly Prime

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Erkson.

RESOLUTION 8-8-2018

WHEREAS, Public Officers Law Sections 102 and 103 allow for the use of videoconferencing for attendance and participation of the members of the board of education who are unable to attend the physical meeting; and,

WHEREAS, the physical presence of members of the Board at meetings is the preferred practice but it is understood that circumstances may periodically not allow that to occur; and,

WHEREAS, the use of videoconferencing will support and foster the ability of members of the board of education to participate in board meetings when business, personal, or other reasons prevent them from being physically present for the meeting; and,

WHEREAS, Public Officers Law Section 104 requires adequate notice to the public if videoconferencing will be used, the location(s) of such sites, and the opportunity for the public to attend the meeting at any such site.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that : (i) The Board of Education shall permit the use of videoconferencing by members of the Board when there is a reasonable justification for their inability to be physically present at a meeting of the Board. (ii) A member of the Board who will be absent from a meeting who wishes to utilize videoconferencing shall notify the Superintendent of Schools and Board President of that request.

~~OPTIONS: (iii) Videoconferencing will only be allowed for [i.e., persons who are ill, persons who are deployed in the military, persons who are out of town on business or for personal reasons, but only once per school year]. Any request must be reasonable and the appropriate public notice must be able to be issued. OR: (iii) If it is determined by the Superintendent and Board President that videoconferencing is reasonable and can be reasonably accomplished, arrangements shall be made and the appropriate public notice shall be issued.~~

Discussion was held and a request was made to note in the Minutes that this RESOLUTION was not connected to the current meetings skype request. It was also decided that the options section would be removed from the RESOLUTION.

Motion carried with opposition from A. Garretson.

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Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Erkson.

RESOLUTION 25-8-2018

BOND RESOLUTION DATED AUGUST 16, 2018

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) LARGE GARDEN TRACTOR, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000 OF THE CHERRY VALLEY-SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, OTSEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO FINANCE SAID PURPOSE AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, Otsego County, New York (the "School District") (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all members of the Board) as follows:

SECTION 1. The specific purpose (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") to be financed pursuant to this resolution is the acquisition of one (1) large garden tractor and necessary attachments. The maximum cost of said purpose will not exceed \$25,000.

SECTION 2. The Board of Education plans to finance the School District's maximum estimated cost of said purpose by the issuance of a serial bond or bonds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 of the School District. The serial bond or bonds are hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the Local Finance Law, and to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds, the levying of a tax on the real property of the School District, to be paid in annual installments as approved by the qualified voters of the School District voting at the Annual Meeting of the School District held this past May 15, 2018.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that said purpose is an object or purpose described in subdivision 29 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is five (5) years.

SECTION 4. The faith and credit of said School District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bond as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bond becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bond as the same become due and payable.

SECTION 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance Law, pursuant to the provisions of Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals of said notes and of Section 21.00, Section 23.00, Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 62.10, Section 63.00, and Section 164.00 of the Local Finance Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Education pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bond herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bond, and the renewals of said notes, are hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the School District.

SECTION 6. The President of the Board of Education is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bond authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to designate the bond authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof as a "qualified tax-exempt bond" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

SECTION 7. The President of the Board of Education is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the bond or notes authorized by this resolution, containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

SECTION 8. The School District hereby determines that the acquisition of one (1) large garden tractor and necessary attachments is a Type II action that will not have a significant effect on the environment, and, therefore, no other determination or procedure under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") is required.

SECTION 9. The expected source of funds to be used initially to pay for the expenditures authorized by Section 1 of this resolution shall be from the School District's General Fund. The School District then reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditure with the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by Section 2 of this resolution. This resolution shall constitute the declaration of the School District's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized by Section 1 hereof with the proceeds of the bonds and notes authorized herein, as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

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SECTION 10. The validity of said serial bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said serial bonds may be contested only if:

(1) (a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication; or

(2) Said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York.

SECTION 11. The Clerk of the School District is hereby authorized and directed to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, in the official newspaper or newspapers of the School District for such publication having a general circulation in the School District.

SECTION 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Robert Tabor	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
Kevin Lennebacker	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
April Aramini	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
April Erkson	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
Amy Garretson	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
Gregory Lowry	VOTING	<u> YES </u>
Jeffrey Wait	VOTING	<u> ABSENT </u>

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 26-8-2018

WHEREAS, the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District currently owns undeveloped, real property located at 183 Neilson Rd. Cherry Valley, NY ; and

WHEREAS, the District is not making any use of the Property and has no intention to make use of the Property in the future;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District has determined that the Property is not currently needed for District purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the leasing of the Property is in the best interests of the District; and

WHEREAS, Omni Navitas Holdings, LLC has expressed an interest in leasing the Property from the District for the term of twenty-five (25) years for the development of a solar project on the Property in exchange for the annual lease payment to the District in the amount of \$25,000 per year;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the terms of the Proposal reflect the payment of a fair market value for the lease of the Property;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to lease the Property to Omni Navitas Holdings, LLC 75 Central St. Boston, MA 02109 pursuant to the Proposal;

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that, subject to the provisions of this Resolution, the District may lease the Property on the terms set forth above, subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive lease agreement for the lease of the Property with Omni Navitas Holdings, LLC in a form that is acceptable to the District's Superintendent and its legal counsel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, subject to the provisions of this Resolution, the President of the Board is authorized to execute such lease agreement on behalf of the District that has been approved by the District's Superintendent and its legal counsel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District's lease of the Property is subject to and contingent upon the District's receipt of all required and necessary approvals by the voters of the District and any governmental agencies, and that no such lease shall be binding on the District or effective unless all such approvals are first obtained.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 27-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the resignation of Tracy Archer, Licensed Teacher Assistant, effective August 14, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 28-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as a Support Staff Substitutes for the 2018-2019 school year:

Jodi Mravlja Cherry Valley

Sandra Mravlja Cherry Valley

Mary Davis Fralick Roseboom

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 30-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve The Council of School Superintendents Model Evaluation version 2014 Superintendent Evaluation tool for the 2018-2019 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 29-8-2018

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a review of Policy 5205 Academic Intervention as per ATTACHMENT V A. Discussion was held to amend the RESOLUTION to a first reading.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by A. Garretson.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a **review** first reading of Policy 5205 Academic Intervention as per ATTACHMENT V A.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by G. Lowry to enter into Executive Session to discuss the matters leading to the employment or suspension of particular individuals(s). Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:24 PM.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by G. Lowry to come out of Executive Session at 8:32 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by G. Lowry to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Carson, District Clerk